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Applicants : Shi Du Yan, et al.

U.S. Serial No.: 10/577,506 Examiner: S. Gucker

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For : METHODS FOR TREATING MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

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October 5, 2009

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time for filing a response to the April 3, 2009 Final Office Action. The fee for a three-month extension of time is \$1,110.00 and authorization is hereby given to charge this amount to Deposit Account No. 03-3125. With the three-month extension, a response to the April 3, 2009 Final Office Action is due October 3, 2009. With a three-month extension of time a response is due October 3, 2009. However, since October 3, 2009 falls on a Saturday, a response filed Monday, October 5, 2009 (i.e. the next business day) will be considered timely. Accordingly, the subject application is pending today for the purpose of filing a Notice of Appeal.

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If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

No fee, other than the enclosed \$1,110.00 fee for a three-month extension of time, is deemed necessary in connection with this Petition. Authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of \$1,110.00 to Deposit Account No. 03-3125. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:

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